

REMARKS

Claims 30-69 are pending in this application, with claims 30, 35, 40, 45, 49, 53, 58 and 64 being independent. Claims 32-39, 42-44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 63 and 69 have been previously withdrawn; and claims 30, 40, 45-58 and 64 have been amended. In particular, claim 30 has been amended to recite "a sensor for measuring body temperature, wherein the sensor is detached from the display device and is connected to the integrated circuit by an infrared signal." Claim 40 has been amended to recite "a sensor for measuring body temperature, wherein the sensor is detached from the display device and is connected to the controller by an infrared signal." Claim 45 has been amended to recite "a sensor for measuring body temperature, wherein the sensor is detached from the first substrate and the second substrate and is connected to the controller by an infrared signal." Claim 49 has been amended to recite "a sensor for measuring body temperature, wherein the sensor is detached from the first substrate and the second substrate and is connected to the CPU by an infrared signal." Claim 53 has been amended to recite "a sensor for measuring body temperature, wherein the sensor is detached from the pair of substrates and is connected to the controller in a cordless configuration". Claim 58 has been amended to recite "wherein the sensor section is detached from the pair of substrates." Claim 64 has been amended to recite "wherein the sensor section is detached from the substrate." Support for these amendments may be found in the application at, for example, Fig. 16 and page 28. No new matter has been introduced.

Independent claims 30, 45, 49 and 53, and their dependent claims 31, 46, 50, 54, 56 and 57, have been rejected as being unpatentable over Ozawa (U.S. Patent No. 4,608,994) in view of Sawatsubashi (U.S. Patent No. 5,148,301). Each of independent claims 30, 45, 49 and 53, as stated above, has been amended to recite a sensor for measuring body temperature that is detached and connected to a integrated circuit/controller/CPU in a cordless configuration or via an infrared signal. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection because neither Ozawa, Sawatsubashi, nor any combination of the two describes or suggests the recited detached sensor for measuring body temperature.

In particular, Ozawa describes a physiological monitoring system that receives multiple physiological measurements, including the user's diastolic and systolic blood pressure, pulse rate and body temperature. Ozawa's monitoring system, however, does not include a detached sensor for measuring body temperature that is connected to an integrated circuit/controller/CPU in a cordless configuration or via an infrared signal. Rather, the monitoring system includes a socket 34 to which is directly connected a body temperature measuring device via a wired connection. See Fig. 1 and col. 4, lines 20-31. Sawatsubashi, which does not describe or suggest use of any physiological measurement devices, does not remedy this deficiency.

For at least these reasons, applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 30, 45, 49 and 53, and their dependent claims.

Independent claims 40, 58 and 64, and their dependent claims 41, 49-62 and 65-68, have been rejected as being unpatentable over Yamano (U.S. Patent No. 4,743, 122) in view of Sawatsubashi. Independent claim 40, as stated previously, has been amended to recite a sensor detached from a display device and connected to a controller of a display device via an infrared signal. Each of independent claims 58 and 64, as amended, recites a detached sensor section coupled to a display section in a cordless configuration. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 40, 58 and 64, and their dependent claims, because neither Yamano, Sawatsubashi, nor any combination of the two describes or suggests the recited detached sensor/sensor section coupled to a display section in a cordless configuration or connected to a controller of a display device via an infrared signal.

Yamano describes a temperature measuring apparatus that determines a temperature of a target by sensing, using an IR sensor 3/104, infrared rays emitted from the target, and then displays the temperature in a display unit 23/105. Notably, Yamano does not describe or suggest that the IR sensor 3/104 is coupled to the display unit 23/105 in a cordless configuration or connected via an infrared signal. Rather, the IR sensor 3/104 is coupled to the display unit 23/105 via a housing 1/101 of the temperature measuring apparatus. See Fig.6; col. 3, lines 25-41; col. 4, lines 20-29; and col. 9, lines 4-12. Sawatsubashi does not remedy this deficiency of Yamano.

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For at least these reasons, applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 40, 58 and 64, and their dependent claims.

Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

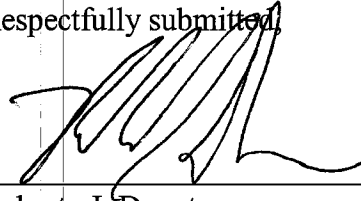
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